



W-well, if Sir Gawaine
really insists...I'll
be sure to take
good care of Bering.



Chapter Four

Haut Prince



A large-scale battle scene set in a snowy, mountainous landscape. In the center, a knight on a brown horse is being attacked by several other knights. To the right, a knight on a white horse is engaged in combat with a knight on a dark horse. The ground is covered in snow and the sky is a pale blue. The scene is filled with the chaos of war, with many knights and horses visible.

Shortly after the
new year, Galahad's
Albion forces marched
on Logrus.

Even on the first day
of battle, it was clear
that Gramyer's
combined armies
could only hold out
for so long against
the endless onslaught.

On neither side,
the famed Red
Knight was nowhere
to be found.

A close-up of a knight wearing a blue tunic, shown from the side as he eats a large, bright red apple. The knight's face is partially visible, and he appears to be enjoying the fruit. The background is dark and indistinct.

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A knight in a blue tunic is shown in profile, facing a dark horse. The knight is speaking, and a speech bubble is visible. The background is a dark, rocky or cave-like setting.

I wonder how
everybody's faring
Bering? Do you
miss being in Camelot?



I'm surprised at
how long the High
King's forces are
holding out.

The Elsat prince's
forces on Albion are
hull again the number
of men, and he has many
renowned knights and
military commanders.



Please, my lady,
you must allow me
to aid the High King
once more (I promise
I'll return every night
as I did last time!)



Well then
you'll have to
ransome yourself
by answering
one of three
questions...



What is your
real name
(not this "Servant
of the Lake"
business)...



Who do you
really love?



Or- do you
expect to ever
exceed your feat
of arms at my
brother's journey?



You leave me no choice
but to say something
quite shameful, but

I expect to surpass
any feat of arms
I have done to date.

The situation was dire.
Knight-Captain Corvaine,
not quite recovered from his
head injury, suffered yet
another similar blow rendering
him unable even to command.

The battle continued until it was all but certain that the High King's forces would have to surrender.



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When a knight dressed
in all black joined the
battle on the side of
the High King.

Without wasting time, the Black Knight engaged a battalion of a hundred knights by himself.



Although a little strange in that he was purposely avoiding killing anyone,



he came to everyone's aid, and drew every man like a standard.*





My lord, the Black Knight has surprised the Red Knight. What are your orders regarding him?

Would my lord like to recruit him as well?

How come a simple change of mascot renders knights even more recognizable?

He's riding Bering, for heaven's sake!

Are humans really that stupid?



Any so wishes may engage him but I do not wish to see him killed.

If he needs arms or a remount let him do so.



THROW

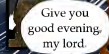
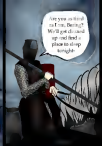
And most importantly keep track of his location at all times.



CATCH



When we break for the night, I wish to speak with him.







My lord, I am Galehaut, son of the Fair Giantess, lord of all these troops against whom you have today defended Logres, which I had made a good start at conquering.

You are an enemy of the High King, and you ask me to stay with you? I'll never stay with you, God willing, as things now stand.



My lord, I would do more for you than you believe, and I have already begun. Again I beg of you to stay with me tonight, on condition that I'll do whatever you ask of me.



Truly, my lord, you are a great maker of promises! But I don't know how good you are at keeping them.





I tell you truly that I make the fewest promises of any powerful man in the world. I wish to have your company this night, and if I can have more of it, I'll take it.

I assure you again on my honor that if you come stay with me I'll grant you what you ask of me.*

*This is not a spoiler, it is a quote from the French version.

Al Chevalier Mestais

The Knight Who Sinned

Chapter 4: First Prince
(to be continued)



Mary, why is this so short?



Seriously, babies are a lot of work. You'd figure I would have learnt by now, since this kid is not number one. For the next little while you'll have to put up with short/sporadic updates, and stupid author errors, but I will try my best.

